

# **Air Quality Legislative Review**

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# Legislative Office



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- Administration's principal resource for analysis and advice on the merits of air quality legislation
- Positions on bills approved by the Governor's office
- Assist new Board members with confirmation



# 2003-04 Legislative Session

## *Summary*

- August 28 recess
- Governor's deadline September 30
- Over 2,200 bills introduced
- 143 air quality bills
- 43 air quality bills chaptered



# ARB Budget 2004-05

- ARB operating budget \$130 million
- Reduced General Fund support  
(less than 2 percent)
- Fee revisions to backfill \$2.6 million  
General Fund reduction





# SB 1107 Budget Trailer Bill

- \$61 million annual permanent funding for Carl Moyer
- Extends the Smog Check exemption for new cars from 4 to 6 years.
- Increases the exemption fee from \$6 to \$12
- Saves consumers \$48.5 million annually



# SB 1107 Air Quality Benefits

- Existing program:
  - 3 tons per day emission reductions
  - \$40,000 per ton cost effectiveness
- New program:
  - 30 tons per day emission reductions
  - \$5,000 per ton cost effectiveness

# Carl Moyer/Local Incentives AB 923 (*Firebaugh*)

- Provides \$80 million annually for ten years
- Consensus proposal
- State and local components





# AB 923 -- *Eligible Projects*

- PM and ROG projects
- Light and medium duty vehicles (repair and scrap)
- Cleaner school buses
- Previously unregulated agricultural sources



# AB 923 -- *Local Funds*

- Authorizes local air districts to increase the DMV surcharge by \$2 (from \$4 to \$6)
- Potential to raise \$55 million annually
- Must be used for:
  - Carl Moyer matching grants
  - Clean school buses
  - Vehicle scrappage programs
  - Agricultural sources
- Does not change existing \$4 local motor vehicle fee



# AB 923 -- *State Funds*

- Increases the fee on new tire purchases by \$0.75
- Potential to raise \$25 million annually
- Limited to PM projects



# Smog Check Reform

## AB 2683 (*Lieber*)

### *Background*

- Program exempted cars over 30 years old
- Older vehicles -- 30 to 40 percent failure rate
- Overall failure rate -- 16 percent

# Smog Check Reform

## AB 2683 (*Lieber*)

- Freezes “rolling exemption” at 1976 model year
- Reduces 5.7 tons per day of smog-forming emissions in 2010
- Equivalent to removing 367,000 new cars





# Smog Check Exemptions

## AB 2683 (*Lieber*)

- Exempts “collector cars” from visual inspection; tail pipe test still required
- Existing Smog Check assists car collectors and low-income owners:
  - Toll-free parts locator service
  - Consumer assistance program provides up to \$500 in emissions-related repairs
  - Some consumers eligible for one-time repair cost waiver

# Carpool Lanes/Hybrid Vehicles

## AB 2628 (*Pavley*)

- Provides hybrids access to HOV lanes if:
  - Meet 45 mpg fuel economy rating
  - AT PZEV Standard
- Older hybrids grandfathered
- Limited to 75,000 vehicles
- Sunsets in 2008
- Requires federal legislation



# Other Bills

- AB 471 (Simitian) -- Bans garbage incineration near shore by cruise ships
- AB 1009 (Pavley) -- Trucks entering California must meet U.S. EPA emission standards



# Special Hearings

**California's Hydrogen Highway -  
February 25**

**Transportation Briefings  
from State Departments - March 1**

**Possible Toxic Exposure at  
Beverly Hills High School -  
March 12**

**Recent Trends in Fuel Prices in  
California - March 26**

**Does California Have a  
Functioning Competitive Market  
for Motor Fuels? - April 28**

**Chrome Plating - March 12**

**NAFTA Trucks - June 28**

**Effects of 104,000 Dairy Cows in  
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**Greenhouse Gases and Carl  
Moyer Funding - August 6**

**Cow Power and Clean Air:  
Implementation of Methane  
Digester Technology on  
California Dairy Operations -  
August 11**

**Children's Health Study: The  
Effects of Air Pollution on  
Children's Lungs - October 7**

**7th Standard Road: A beltway  
for Kern County? - October 12**

# Locomotives and Ports

- Locomotives -- SB 1397 (Escutia)
  - Fees on locomotives
  - Failed passage
- Ports -- AB 2042 (Lowenthal)
  - Emission ceiling
  - Vetoed



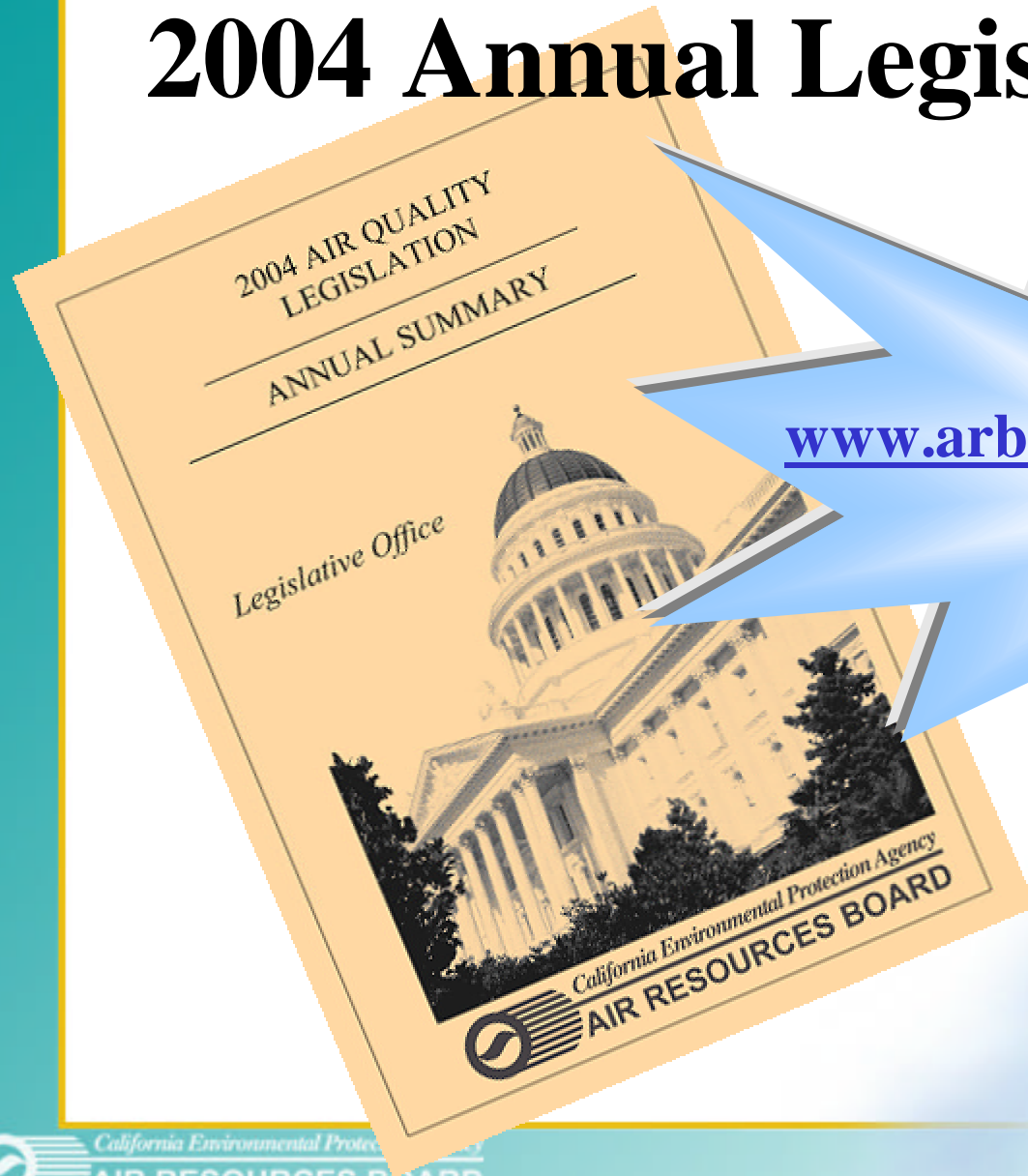


# Locomotives and Ports, cont'd.

- Regional and community air quality impacts
- Federal jurisdiction
- Governor directs ARB to develop emission reduction programs; work underway
- SCAQMD urged to target ports and rail facilities with new funds



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# Thank you!



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